



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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ADDRESS TO: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.: 00-713-i21 Application No.: 09/976,618 USPTO Confirmation No.: 1752 Filing Date: 10/12/2001 First Named Inventor: Chad A. Mirkin Group Art Unit: 1637 Examiner: J. Riley
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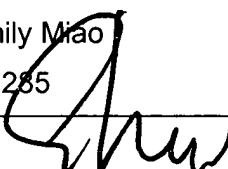
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to and including Response to Office Action Mailed July 16, 2003.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$950.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ |

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$475.00. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. |

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name	Emily Miao
Reg. No.	35,285
Signature	
Date	January 13, 2004

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